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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to express their sincere condolences to the family and friends of Gerald J. Streit, who passed away on February 20, 2002; and

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WHEREAS, Gerlad J. Streit was born on September 10, 1946 in Aurora, Illinois, to John P. and Rose Streit; and

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WHEREAS, For 45 years, Mr. Streit was a member of the Boy Scouts of America; as a youth, he was active in Cub Pack 326 at Holy Angels Church and Troop 29 at Hermes School; as an adult, he was active in Troop 29 and Troop 57 at St. Joseph Church; he served for ten full summers on staff at Chin-be-gota Scout Reservation; at the district level of the Boy Scouts, he served on various committees, especially the District Activities Committee; at the council level, he served on many committees including the Executive Board of Two Rivers Council, where he served as the Council's Vice President; at the regional level, he participated on the summer camp accreditation committee and worked with multiple councils to bring summer camp experiences to the Boy Scouts of Fox Valley; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Streit was recognized with various awards including the Vigil Honor, the Charles Pierce Burton Award, the Silver Beaver, the Silver Antelope, and the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Streit also served on many committees at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Aurora; he was a lector, Eucharistic Minister, member of the Music Ensemble, and President of the Parish Council; he was a Minister of Care for many years to the Aurora Nursing Home; on the diocesan level of the church, he was certified in the Ministry Formation program, assisted in various Diocesan programs, and

1 was a part of the Cursillo movement; and

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Streit graduated from Marmion Academy and
3 received his bachelor's degree from the University of Dayton
4 and his master's degree from Northern Illinois University; he
5 was a project manager for Alltel Communications at Harris
6 Bank in Chicago, where he was employed for 25 years; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Streit believed in the concept of endowment
8 funds; he started the Eagle Scout Endowment at the Aurora
9 Foundation, the St. Joseph Financial Aid Endowment at Marmion
10 Academy, and the Reverend Thomas Schoen Scholarship at the
11 University of Dayton; he participated in the Hesed House
12 Endowment, the Three Fires Council Endowment, and the Fred
13 and Barb Miller Endowment at the Aurora Foundation; and

14 WHEREAS, The passing of Gerald J. Streit will be deeply
15 felt by all who knew and loved him, especially his wife, Mary
16 Virginia Streit and his step-son, Mark Kazak; therefore, be
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18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
20 all who knew him, the death of Gerald J. Streit of Aurora,
21 Illinois; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
23 presented to the family of Gerald J. Streit with our sincere
24 condolences.